

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1821 without my signature.

While the intent to streamline reporting requirements for the higher education segments is a laudable goal, I understand this bill contains a drafting error. Furthermore, as currently drafted, this bill would likely result in significant state reimbursable mandated costs on the Community Colleges.

I would be willing to sign a bill in the next session that addresses these concerns and directing my Department of Finance to work with the appropriate Legislative staff to this end.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger